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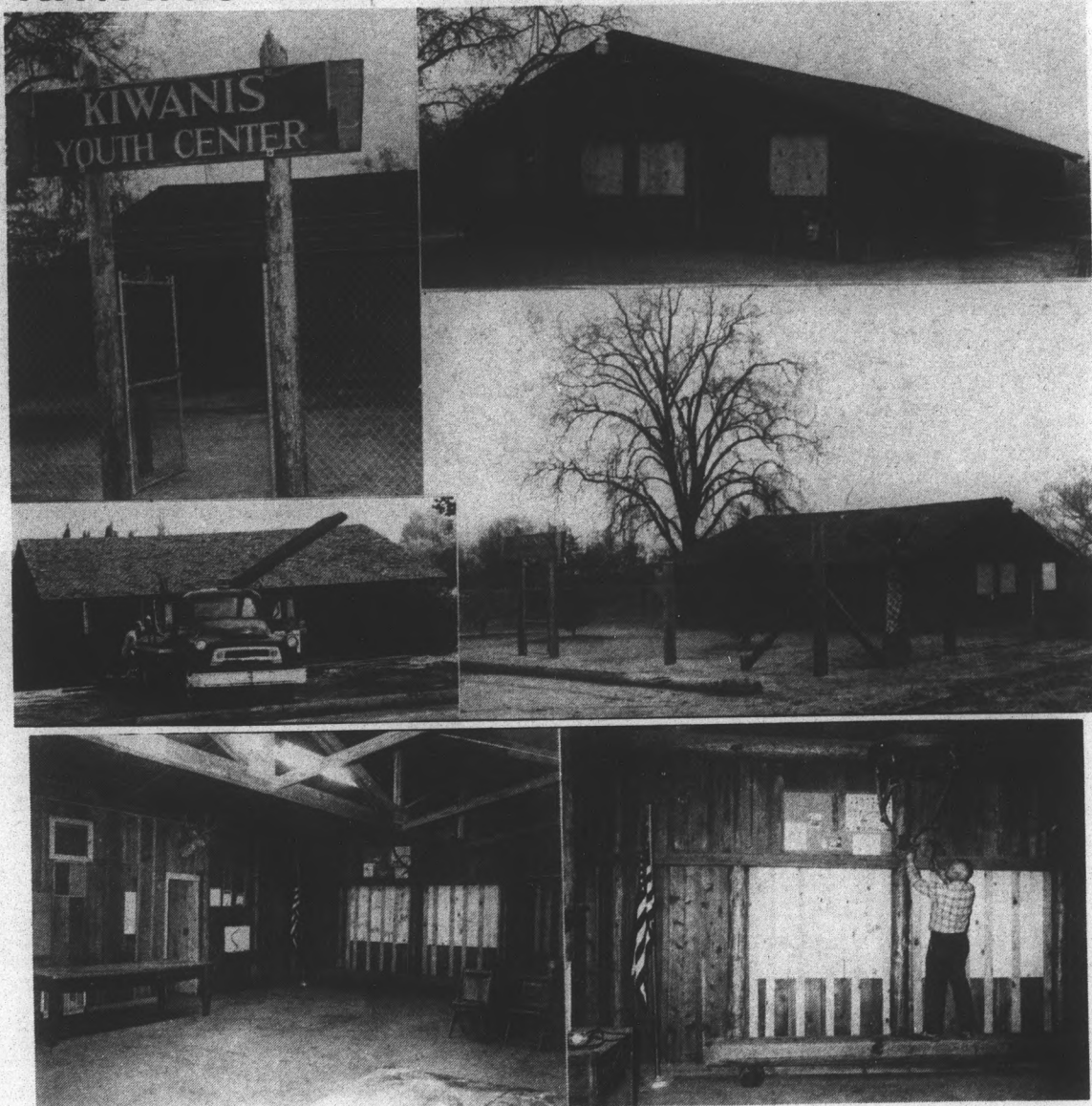
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## KIWANIS CLUB YOUTH CENTER DEDICATED



PORTERVILLE KIWANIANS yesterday officially dedicated their youth center building on Newcomb near Morton as a facility for use of youth organizations - both boys' and girls', with four such groups now utilizing the building. Actually, the ceremony marked the second dedication of this building, the first coming in the mid-thirties when it was constructed by Porterville Rotarians, during the presidential year of the late Bill Cobb, on Jaye street at Maple. The building was utilized for a number of years by the Rotary Scout troop and by other youth groups, but in 1968 the Porterville Kiwanis club took over the building from Rotarians and moved it to its present location, where the building and grounds have been continually improved. Photos show the entrance gate, two views of the building exterior, a picture of the building being moved off its initial site, and a couple of interior photos, with Pat Hayes, Kiwanis president, taking care of final touches. During dedication ceremony yesterday afternoon, Dick Schafer, past Kiwanis lieutenant governor, served as master of ceremonies; greetings were extended by Porterville Mayor Larry Cotta; speaking was Newell Herum, present Lt. governor of division 18; history of the project was recounted by Hal Morgan; official dedication was made by Hayes; and benediction was spoken by the Rev. Ken Miller. Special thanks from Kiwanis club members for donated services in moving, renovation, and grounds work went to Claude Hurley, Ray Jones, Tom Van Groningen, Barney Richardson, Gene Quiram, Ernie Phillips, Schuyler Adams, Robert C. Board, Ira A. Wheelless, John Daybell, Bob Thompson, Milton Sewell, Art Ortstadt, Bill Shepard, Bud Witt, Bill Akin, Marty Martin and Aubrey M. Lumley.

## Omnibus Bill To Meet Water Needs Again Co-Sponsored By Mathias, Sisk

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Bob Mathias has announced that he will again co-sponsor the \$5 billion omnibus bill with Congressman B.F. Sisk (D-Fresno) which is designed to meet the needs for water development projects throughout the state until the year 2000.

Since the bill "will provide for the orderly and phased construction of four water development projects that are important to the future economy and welfare of the State of California, it is imperative that this measure is introduced early in the 93rd Congress and that the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee is urged to take favorable action as soon as possible," Mathias stated.

The water bill would authorize the East Side division in the Central valley, the Consumnes river project in the Sacramento delta, and the Allen Camp dam and reservoir on the Pit river.

"By setting a time-table for appropriations and an orderly phased development plan," he

said, "the bill will insure that San Joaquin valley water users will have the water they need in the future. The coordinated development of the state's water resources is in the best interests of the people living in the area and cheaper for the taxpayers in the long run."

The projects included in the bill and their principal features are:

East Side - Would take water from the Sacramento river through Hood-Clay pump connection, through the Folsom-South canal, through the new East Side canal to be built, to Bakersfield. Five dams and pumping plants along the route would provide water augmentation and control. Cost \$1.1 billion. Start in 1979 with completion in the year 2000. Counties served: Calaveras, Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Tulare, Kern, Fresno, San Joaquin, and Kings.

Consumnes river - The initial phase calls for the construction of three dams and reservoirs to irrigate land in four counties east of Sacramento. Cost \$204.5

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## OPEN HOUSE AT MEALYBUG CONTROL PROJECT

PORTERVILLE — Open house at project headquarters for control of the Comstock Mealybug will be held March 7, starting at 1 p.m., 866 West Olive at Wisconsin street.

Richard R. Swalm, economic entomologist in charge of the project, working through the office of Agricultural Commissioner Elvin O. Mankins, says that all interested persons are invited to attend.

A tour and discussion of project facilities will start at 1 p.m. in the parking lot area, Swalm says. Visitors will be shown the insectary and trailers where pheromone studies are being conducted and parasites are being reared.

Following the tour, a period of general discussion, along with questions and answers, is planned.

The Comstock Mealybug, discovered about two years ago in the Porterville area, is a serious threat to a number of agricultural crops if allowed to spread.

Control is being attempted

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## CANTERBELLE HORSE SHOW TO DRAW SOUTHERN VALLEY RIDERS

PORTERVILLE — Riders from throughout the southern San Joaquin valley will be in Porterville Sunday to compete in the 13th annual Canterbelle Open Horse show, with action in 30 competitive classes to start at 8:30 a.m. in the Porterville Fair horse show arena.

Competition will be in three age groups - 10 years and under, 11 through 13, and 14 through 17, plus open classes, a special leadline class for seven-year-olds and under, and a western equitation class for Canterbells only.

Other classes will include: Showmanship at halter, bareback equitation, trail horse, Western pleasure, Western equitation, stock horse, matched pairs, English pleasure, English equitation, novice jumpers, jumpers and hunter hack.

Belt buckles high-point award will go to 13 years and under competitors, and 14 years and over; trophies will go for first place; ribbons through fifth place.

The show is CSHA Jr. high point approved; all classes will

be judged under CSHA rules; judge will be Jack George of Fresno.

Entry fee is \$3.00, with entries closing today, Thursday; post entry is \$3.50; a \$1.00 charge per horse will be made

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## 13 Divisions In Springville Rodeo Parade

SPRINGVILLE — Entries are now being accepted for the Springville-Sierra Rodeo parade, set for 10 a.m., Saturday, April 14, with trophies offered for the first three places in 13 divisions, and with rodeo gate passes going to all parade participants.

The western parade will move through the Springville business district to open the foothill community's annual rodeo weekend during which RCA professional cowboys will be going for world championship points in two performances - the afternoons of April 14 and April

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## Card-Carrying Alcoholics



THE THREE men above are card-carrying alcoholics; the card that they carry in their wallet, opposite their identification and insurance information reads, "I Am An Alcoholic. In Case Of Accident, Do Not Give An Ether Anesthetic Or An Alcoholic Stimulant." Why the card? These men have arrested the disease of alcoholism but they are still alcoholics, as they will always be. If alcohol in any form gets back into their system, even through an ether anesthetic, they will be off again, fighting the bottle, until they can get themselves back under control. That's the way it is with persons addicted to the disease of alcoholism - and, if national averages hold true - there are about 1,000 alcoholics in the Porterville community. The men - from left, Peter Tighe, president of the four-hospital Raleigh Hills Alcoholism Treatment center; Barney Richardson, Porterville businessman; and Richard Brown, administrator of the Raleigh Hills Newport Beach facility. Tighe and Brown were in Porterville this week to speak at Rotary club and Breakfast Lions club meetings; to join 40 "graduates" of Raleigh Hills at dinner Monday night; and to discuss formation of a Raleigh Hills Alumni association in southeastern Tulare county. Perhaps the most important message coming from Tighe, Brown and Richardson is that alcoholism can be treated and arrested; that men, women, boys and girls addicted to alcohol can be brought back to normal, productive lives in a high percentage of cases, that the uncontrollable demand for alcohol can be arrested and contained. And these three men know what they are talking about. They have been through the mill themselves. As for the local situation, Richardson is available to help alcoholics. Persons with the problem of alcoholism in their family would do well to get in touch with him - 784-1065 or 784-3734. (Farm Tribune photo)

## JACKASS MAIL MEETING AGENDA BEING CONFUSED BY CONFUSION

(Somewhere Along The Emigrant Trail)

Agenda, if there is an agenda for a rumored joint meeting of the non-existent Jackass Mail committee and the troupe of Doc Small's Medicine Show, will be confused by confusion, what with a multitude of important items designated to be presented for thoughtful consideration of one and all assembled at the appointed time and place.

For example, to wit and herewith, Doc Small himself will put his latest show award - won during a recent triumphal appearance at Whiskey Flat - in the trophy case at the poor man's museum and seat of culture, the Mountain Lion saloon.

And of more than surpassing interest and importance will be introduction of the Jackass Mail stamp for 1973, said stamp to go on

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## Political Parade

By CLEM WHITAKER, JR.

There were some eye-opening campus precinct election returns last November which bear remembering but political analysts were proved right in the overall that the 18-21 year olds would vote near the older adult pattern. That more than proved to be the case.

The Bureau of the Census and various public opinion survey firms have found on study of the vote that the 18-21 year olds vote split 50-50 between Democrats and Republicans.

The discernible split of the newly enfranchised voters from the existing crop was more a generation and an emotional thing. For instance the 18-21 year olds went all out on environmental issues, almost regardless of the merit of the issue involved. In other words, an emotional reaction. This same split was clear in regard to the so-called marijuana issue. The 18-21 year olds were in favor of liberalization of laws by an overwhelming percentage where an opportunity was provided to cast ballots on the issue as in California.

There was another interesting but not too surprising fact concerning the 18-21 year olds vote. Across the country only some 40 percent of the group bothered to go to the polls. Here again there were some startling exceptions to the rule. In some college and university precincts, the bloc was well organized as a bloc and the vote came out heavily. Santa Cruz County in California is a prime example of this exception.

In calculating the trend of future elections there is another highly important factor to take into account, the so-called transient vote. The city of Berkeley, California, for instance, has been the locale of an attempted radical takeover for several years past. That takeover is nearly effectuated. The city's former mayor, Wallace Johnson, states that 3500 non-residents of Berkeley voted in that city during the November 7, 1972, election and he is challenging

the provision of the state election code which makes it possible for the non-residents to vote.

In California the residence requirement for voting has been reduced to 30 days. Formerly it was a year in the state, 90 days in the county and 54 days in the precinct. The new law further permits any citizen over 18 who says he intends to return to his old voting precinct to register in that precinct, leave town, and vote absentee. It is a built in loophole for good organizers to use in city and district elections where a few thousand votes make the difference. Apparently they have struck fertile ground in some campus communities where, as earlier pointed out, on some issues there is an emotional factor which can be built in and then strummed to control elections.

There is little question but that everyone entitled to vote should have that opportunity. But there is a grave question that people should be able to tuck their franchise in their pocket and exercise it whenever they wish without regard to present residence. It need not be made simple for trained organizers to create their own enclaves of influence throughout the state, enclaves which could not be established by normal means.

The nation's apple crop in 1972 was four percent below 1971.

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## Fishing Bonus From State Water Project

SACRAMENTO — California anglers are enjoying an unusual bonus from the State Water project's main aqueduct which runs from the Delta area near San Francisco to the Tehachapi mountains.

The bonus is in the form of additional fishing opportunities which have far exceeded estimates made when the State Water plan was first developed.

In addition to the striped bass fishery at San Luis reservoir, near Los Banos, special facilities constructed at a number of locations along the main aqueduct enable anglers to fish safely from the banks of the big canal.

Funds for most of these sites have been provided by the state Wildlife Conservation board, and funds for some others have come from state Recreational Bonds. The Wildlife Conservation board has been responsible for the selection, planning and construction of the special fishing sites.

To date, six fishing access locations along the canal have been completed, five more are past the planning stage and will be ready for public use soon.

Three more sites are in the planning stage for the portion of the canal south of the Tehachapies. Two of these locations will be in Los Angeles county and one will be in San Bernardino county.

## CLINGSTONE PEACH MARKETING ORDER HEARING MARCH 8

SACRAMENTO — California Director of Agriculture C.B. Christensen has set March 8 for a public hearing on a Proposed Processors Marketing order for clingstone peaches, as amended. The hearing will be held in Sacramento beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Assembly Room of the Department of Agriculture Building, 1220 N Street.

The purpose of the hearing is to extend the term of the present Marketing Order from June 30, 1973, to June 30, 1975. The amendments proposed are limited primarily to the definition of bruises and invisible split pits and unfair trade practices.

Small grains in southern California and the southern San Joaquin valley are doing well, but fields in the northern San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys need sun and dry weather.

An estimated 1972 United States lamb crop of 12,537,000 head, is three percent below 1971.

## THE ANSLEY HERALD, Custer County, Nebraska Fellers Chew on Big Words to Find the Root Of Major Problems of Our Country

UNCLE CLARENCE  
... from CLEAR CREEK

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

You never can tell what you're libel to run into at our sessions at the country store. For instant, Ed Doolittle opened the discussion Saturday night by reporting where this economist, column writer had said what is wrong with this country is "occupational obsolescence, complicated by technological surplusage." I copied it from the clipping, Ed brung, and I still ain't sure I got it down right.

Ed saved a heap of questions, Mister Editor, by saying he had studied that condition up one side and down the other and the best he could figger is that it means the hurrier we go the behinder we git. We are making machines that speed up perduction and cut down on the number of people needed fer the job, which is another way of saying we got too much technology fer our own good.

Actual, the fellers still didn't know what to make of Ed's report. Clem Webster said as he was give to understand Ed's translation of what the economist said, he was disagreed. Clem said it's true that technology has caused some problems, but so has wimmen, and where would we be without both of 'em? What would farmers and ranchers do in this country if it weren't fer all the technology that helps them do 20 times the work they could do 50 years ago?

## 4-Day Week

The fabulous 4-day work week, which for so long has been promoted as the ideal solution to employment problems, workers' health and such, is proving a bit anemic.

A Wall Street Journal survey reveals quite a number of defectors from the 10-hour day, three-day weekend schedule. One disillusioned firm cited scrap problems due to more "mistakes at the end of the long shift". Another found that hourly output and maintenance became problems during two 10-hour shifts.

Reduced productivity is the reason given by two national magazines. Other employers complain that because of similar drop in productivity over the long work days, supervisors have ended up working long hours five days a week.

All is not lost for the proponents of the short week, however. An insurance firm went so far as to adopt a 3-day week for its data processors. A New York architectural firm found that although a 37½ hour week was considerably less than successful, a 34-hour week works out just fine.

Perhaps some great compromiser will come up with the 5-day week and 3-week month.

Carrots are continuing to move from the southern San Joaquin valley.

Zeke Grubb was agreed with Clem that it ain't the technology that is causing all the surplusage of trouble, it's how we use it. Cleaning up the water and air is a job that technology has got to have a big hand in, Zeke allowed, but first folks has got to make up their minds they want to stop messing up and start cleaning up. Zeke had saw where half the water treating plants in the cities is turning out water that ain't fit to drink because ever time they are fixed fer removing one kind of industrial waste technology invents a new batch.

General speaking, broke in Clem, this country has a habit of using the wrong tool fer the job. Clem said he had saw where we spend \$1.40 a person to support the United Nations, and more than \$300 fer ever man, woman, and child in America is used fer national defense. If we could git these turned around, we might realize some return on our investments, was Clem's words. Clem said it ain't no wonder technology takes some crazy turns in this country.

The fellers put the stopper in the technology jug when Bug Hookum allowed we wasn't by ourselves. He recalled where Russia had a robot digging up moon soil to take home last month, and he figgered they could of spent the technology a heap better trying to git the soil they got to grow wheat so they wouldn't buy up ours and raise the price of flour.

Yours truly,  
— Uncle Clarence.

## CALIFORNIA SPEAKS

MRS. LEWIS COIL, Whit-tier—"We are such great admirers of Mark Spitz that on New Year's Eve we celebrated by drinking milk."

BERNARD L. STREHLER, USC biologist, questioning whether individual death is a biological necessity—"There is no principle of nature which dictates that individual living things, including men and women, cannot live for an indefinitely long time in optimum health."

RICHARD C. LAWSON, L.A. attorney and air pollution authority—"Federal automotive emission control standards could cost the nation's motorists \$95 billion for the decade 1976-1985 . . . a staggering cost in light of recent federal cost/benefit studies which note this expenditure will contribute very little toward clean air."

EMERSON D. MORAN, Los Angeles meat processor—"The hot dog, in a way is the quintessential hyphenated American. Originally imported from Europe with its sausage relatives, it has been cross-bred and refined, and now is fully Americanized. I am proud to rise to its defense."

MICHAEL McCONE, Deputy Director, San Francisco Museum of Art—"The strength of any city is the middle class. We have a large middle class of many colors. Our greatest challenge is to keep that middle class in town."

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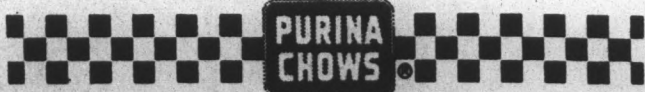
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## French Coach, Half-Broke Mustangs Used On State's First Stagecoach

Rigging up a fancy French coach pulled by a set of half-broken mustangs, one John Whistman traveled between San Francisco and San Jose to really begin California's stagecoach business in 1849.

That California definitely needed stagecoach travel, points out the National Automobile club, became clearly evident after the discovery of gold back in 1848. New towns quickly sprang into existence and somehow they all had to be tied together, making the establishment of an efficient transportation system a serious undertaking for isolated California.

Despite the wildness and dustiness associated with stagecoach travel, the people in California came to appreciate it for opening up the West. In 1850 the Golden State had a population of 300,000, a population scattered all over its

length and width in small mining camps. And the stage line kept up with the hectic times, set up a route and stations wherever gold was discovered.

Naturally the stagecoach business grew quite rapidly. At one time, in fact, more stages were concentrated in California than in any other part of the world. Around every bend seemed to be another stagecoach.

For stagecoach drivers and their passengers in California, the going was rough. With no roads way back then, the stage had to make its own roads by first following the trails used by immigrant wagons along rivers. Adventures galore filled the pages of stagecoach history.

Everywhere danger threatened the hardy drivers and those brave enough to ride with them. Bandits frequently held up the stages. Bad weather sometimes frightened horse teams to such an extent that they ran wild. All stagecoach routes were real endurance courses, severely tested the ability of the drivers and the backbones of the passengers.

It was recorded in a diary of a stagecoach ride that one poor fellow went crazy from loss of sleep.

For about 30 years after the stage vanished from the East, according to NAC, it still served a most useful purpose in California.

### INTERCOLLEGIATE RODEO MARCH 10-11 SLATED FOR CLOVIS

FRESNO — The Bulldogs Rodeo club at California State University, Fresno will host its 18th annual intercollegiate rodeo March 10 and 11 in the Clovis rodeo arena.

The two-day event is expected to attract some 800 contestants from 15 or more colleges throughout California, Arizona, and Nevada. The competition will launch the spring season of eight rodeos to be held in the West Coast region of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo association.

California Fish and Game commission will meet in Fresno, March 2.

## FARM FRONT

VISALIA — A variety of agricultural activities are getting underway in Tulare county, according to weekly report, issued February 24, from the office of Elvin O. Mankins, agricultural commissioner.

Planting of tomatoes, squash and cucumbers is underway in fields dry enough to get into; romaine lettuce is being packed in light volume.

Valley pasture and low foothill rangeland grass is growing well; early planted fields of grain are showing good growth, with herbicides being applied for weed control.

Almonds, plums, apricots and almonds are blooming; wet fields and unsettled weather has hampered bee pollination; some dormant spraying is being done in grapes and deciduous trees.

Navel orange harvest is continuing with heavy grade-out required due to frost damage. Minneola tangelos are being packed, with good quality and an active market.

### MATHIAS NOMINATES YOUNG MEN FOR U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Bob Mathias has announced that he has nominated 17 young men for appointment to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, for the class entering in June, 1973, including three from Tulare county: David Chris Neeze, of Strathmore; Thomas Schaffer, of Terra Bella; and Jeremias De Melo of Tulare.

Mathias stated that his nominees will compete with one another for two vacancies at the Naval Academy. The Academy will make the final choice, using its own selection methods, which are similar to those of any other major university.

National Wildlife week will be observed March 18-24.

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## JAPANESE VIOLINIST IS GUEST ARTIST

TULARE — A young Japanese violinist is to be the guest artist at the Friday, March 9, concert of the Tulare County Symphony orchestra, according to an announcement made this week.

The artist, Eriko Sato, is presently studying at the Julliard School of Music in New York City. For her appearance with the Tulare County Symphony, she will perform Brahms' Violin Concerto in D Major.

The orchestra will be performing under the baton of its founding director, Robert Walton Cole, with the concert to be held in the auditorium at the Tulare union high school.

Tickets for the March 9 concert are available at \$2.50 for adults and \$1.25 for students at Gibson Stationery store, 211 North Main street in Porterville, or will be available at the box office the night of the concert.

Harvest of grapefruit in desert areas is moving at a normal level.

## 1,400 New Seats Under Construction For Clovis Rodeo

CLOVIS — Directors of the Clovis Rodeo association have established a purse of \$4,100 for the 1973 version of the annual two-day event to be held April 28 and 29. Entry fees from the nearly 300 cowboys expected to compete will swell the amount, with the final total not known until entries close at noon on April 25.

The association has begun construction of 1,400 new permanent bleacher seats at the rodeo grounds for general admission ticket buyers. All grandstand seats will be reserved this year with advance tickets expected to be available in late March or early April.

The Clovis rodeo is sanctioned by the Rodeo Cowboys association, Inc.

Some 70 manufacturers displayed models at the first U.S. auto show - in New York's Madison Square Garden, in 1900.

## Psychiatric Technology Class Is Open

PORTERVILLE — Porterville College is accepting applications for a Psychiatric Technology class which will begin in September, 1973. The deadline for application is May 10.

The Psychiatric Technology program is a 50-week course which requires one calendar year for completion. Classes meet for a total of 31 hours per week. Graduates of the program are certified to take the State Board examination which leads to licensure as a Psychiatric Technician.

A Licensed Psychiatric Technician is trained to provide care for persons suffering from mental illness or mental retardation in a variety of health facilities such as State hospitals, County Mental Health clinics, Mental Health units of General hospitals and Convalescent hospitals.

Psychiatric Technology students who need to work while attending school are eligible for part-time (20 hours per week) employment at Porterville State hospital. The salary for this position is \$2.53 an hour.

Persons interested in applying for the Psychiatric Technology Program can obtain an application by writing to or phoning Mrs. Peggy Gould, chairman, Nursing department, 900 South Main street, Porterville, California 93257 or 781-3130, extension 17 or by picking up an application personally in Room SM-18 on the College campus.

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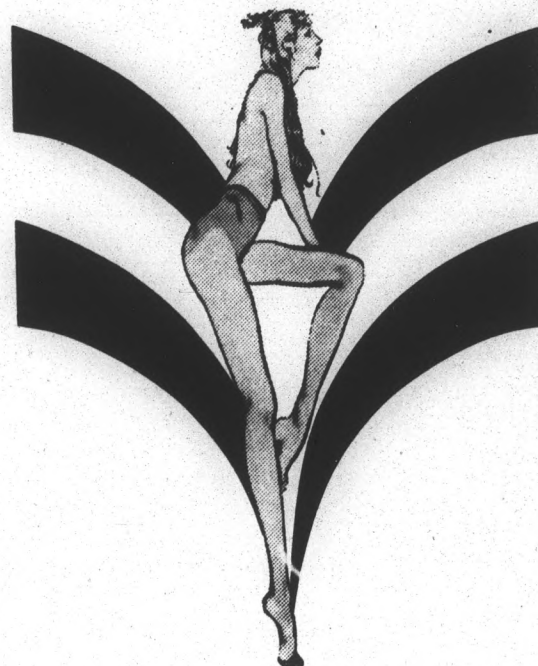
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## GUESTS PRESENT DEMONSTRATIONS AT ROCKFORD 4-H

ROCKFORD — Special guests at February meeting of the Rockford 4-H club were Luanne and Susanne Graves giving a demonstration titled "Lost any Buttons Lately?" and Catherine Homer with "From One to One Hundred." The girls are members of the Vandalia 4-H club, and Miss Homer is a county winner on her demonstration.

Business session of the meeting was conducted by Fred Hughes, president. Flag salute was led by Lynette Hayden and 4-H Pledge by Fred Hughes. Roll call and minutes were by

Secretary Linda Stevens; treasurer's report by Cindy Rodriguez, and reporter's report by Jeffrey Valine.

Project reports were given by members with electricity projects: Stanley, Donald, and Bobby Beardsley, and Jeffrey Valine, also by Scott Daniels on his swine project, and by Linda Stevens on winter party.

This year the club has voted to have a Bowling party on Sunday, March 4 at Olive Avenue bowl at 2 p.m. One parent must attend with each member and the cost will be 45c per game. All members, leaders

and parents of Rockford 4-H are invited to attend.

County Demonstration day report was given by Denise McFarlane; Farm Equipment show and 4-H Fashions reports by Kathleen Baggarly.

A special committee was appointed to organize projects for patients at the Hacienda Convalescent hospital: Cindy and Annette Rodriguez, Nancy Buchak, Gordon McKay and Michelle Castillo.

Mrs. Baggarly reported on Heart Fund Sunday, February 25, with members meeting at Rockford School at 1 o'clock.

Bill McFarlane announced that the next Swine meeting will be Saturday, March 3.

Following club meeting adjournment, refreshments were served.

## MONACHE STUDENTS ARE FINALISTS

PORTERVILLE — Two Monache High School seniors have been notified that they are finalists in the National Merit Scholarship program; they are Penelope L. Bradley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B.J. Bradley, and Glenda J. Dorrough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dorrough.

## SISK IS CHAIRMAN UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY TELETHON

FRESNO — Congressman F. F. (Bernie) Sisk has accepted the position of Honorary chairman of the 15th United Cerebral Palsy telethon, to be held in the Exhibit hall of the Fresno Convention center, March 31st and April 1st.

The Telethon, which features national stars of the entertainment world and local performers, will be aired for 19 consecutive hours on KFSN-TV, Channel 30.

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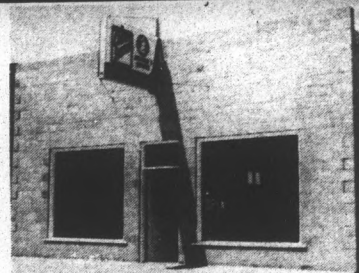
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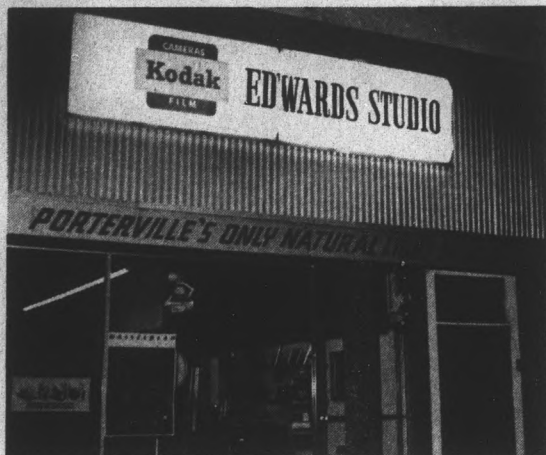
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## "CORPORATE GIANTS" NOT TAKING OVER CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURE, SAYS KRADE

SACRAMENTO — Is California agriculture about to be taken over by a few soulless conglomerates, spelling the end of the family farm?

Will a few big corporate giants gobble up great acreages of food producing crops to use a tax write off for better paying industrial and financial ventures?

The answer to both questions is "No," according to Harry J. Krade, Economic Advisor to the Director of the California Department of Agriculture.

"In fact, a corporate farm is usually not owned by an industrial firm," Krade said. "And it is not displacing the family farm as fast as might be supposed. Of the 39,000 commercial farms in California in 1968, only 1,673 were corporate farms, or 4 percent of the total.

"Of this, over 80 percent of

the corporate farms were either individually or family owned; about 9 percent were owned by shareholders who were solely interested in agriculture; only 10 percent of the farming corporations were the so-called 'conglomerates' with business interests outside of agriculture.

"In the nation as a whole, only 20 percent of the corporate farms had interests outside of agriculture."

Why would an individual farmer or farm family want to incorporate?

For one thing, Krade said, under a 1958 revision to Federal income tax law, a small corporation (with 10 shareholders or less) is treated as a partnership, which affords the advantages of corporate structure but without the tax burden.

Another advantage is that incorporation allows a farmer to pass his farm on to his heirs without the usual inheritance tax bite.

Larger acreage is one characteristic of a corporate farm. In California, the average corporate farm was 3,678 acres compared to 848 acres for the average size commercial farm.

Gross value of production of corporate farms was also significantly higher with 67 percent of this group producing in excess of \$100,000 worth of farm products. Thirty percent of the corporates each produced more than \$½ million worth of farm products.

Krade said that almost half of the farming corporations began between 1960 and 1966, but only 4 percent of the corporations have entered agriculture since then.

"Giant conglomerates are not about to replace the traditional

family farm unit," Krade stressed. "The vast majority of corporate farms in California are individual or family enterprises incorporated to limit liability, to enable a continuity of operation in the event of death, to afford the possibility of dividing interests, and to permit greater access to credit and tax relief."

Not all family farmers find it advantageous to incorporate. The corporate structure does not guarantee success in farming. In fact, some of the largest macro-corporate structures with agricultural holdings have given up farming. Successful farming still requires a personal interest in the land and its produce, Krade said.

## BOX SOCIAL IS ENJOYED BY SPRINGVILLE 4-H

SPRINGVILLE — Springville 4-H Club members enjoyed their annual box social at February meeting, with Dale Gill and Roy Swift auctioning the decorated box supper.

After the box social, Roy Swift, president, called the meeting of the Springville 4-H club to order. Walter Pastewitz led the flag salute and Mark Deerburger led the 4-H pledge.

Springville 4-H Field day was announced for April 8, at 1:00 p.m., at the Springville rodeo grounds.

Demonstrations were given by the Beginning girls, Beginning boys, and on leathercraft.

A.K. Cummings reported on the Golden Hills Demonstration day. Other reports were given by Julie Lewis, John Robinson, and Mary Lisa Barrett.

## How's That Again - Eliminate Snails By Preparing Them As Gourmet Dish?

SACRAMENTO — The State Department of Agriculture has come up with the ultimate in biological control of garden pests - eat them!

Ron Hawthorne, an entomologist for the department, says that the common garden pest, *Helix aspersa*, or the European Brown snail, is an epicurean delight.

Preparation of snails as a gourmet item involves two steps - purging and cooking.

First, collect the snails and put them into a large, clean metal or glass container with a

heavy lid and some provision for air for about two days. The snails will purge themselves of anything they may have eaten before then.

Second, heat water to boiling in a pan and throw in the live snails. Let them boil for about 15 minutes. Remove, rinse, and dry.

Heat a little butter in a frying pan and fry the boiled snails just enough to brown them. They can be served with a tansy sauce.

There are many ways to serve and eat "escargot," with recipes found in library or gourmet cookbooks.

## Oyster Festival, Boat Parade Set For Morro Bay

MORRO BAY — An Oyster festival and Lighted Boat parade has been set for March 16, 17, and 18 at Morro Bay, plus a boat show, an art show, square dancing exhibition, special displays and a variety of exhibits.

Special features include boat trips through the oyster beds where visitors can pick their own oysters for \$1.50 a dozen; serving of free oyster stew in the Veterans' Memorial building from noon until 3 p.m. on March 17; and introduction of a new Seafood wine during the festival.

The annual Lighted Boat parade will begin at 8:30 p.m., March 17, with "good viewing" available at any location along the shores of Estero bay.

Low tides over the festival weekend will permit good clamming; surf, rock and pier fishing will be available, also sport fishing from boats.

Accommodations for the festival weekend can be made through the Morro Bay Motel association, P.O. Box E, Morro Bay, Ca. 93442, telephone (805) 772-8484.

### DON COLLINS CHAMBER MANAGER

Don Collins has been promoted to manager of the Porterville chamber of commerce after serving for about six months as assistant manager under Allan Coates, executive vice president of the chamber. Coates will continue to work in the area of industrial development promotion.

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## STRETCHING YOUR FOOD DOLLAR SUBJECT OF SERIES OF MEETINGS

VISALIA — A series of meetings in Visalia and Porterville designed to tell housewives how to stretch their food dollars has been announced for March and April through the office of the Agricultural Extension service.

Miss Delores Bonander, area home advisor, and Mrs. Dorothy Thurber, Tulare county home advisor, will conduct the meetings, covering the subjects: Management As You Shop, Making the Most of Your Meat Dollar, Fruits and Vegetables - The Vitamin Team, and Rounding Out The Menu (But Not You).

Porterville meetings will be held in the Southern California Edison Company Living Center, April 24, April 26, and May 1, at 1 p.m. and repeated at 7:30 p.m.

Visalia meetings will be held in the County Agriculture building auditorium, March 15, March 20 and March 22, 1:30 p.m. and repeated at 7:30 p.m.

## VICE PRESIDENTS NAMED BY SUN-MAID

KINGSBURG — Two major appointments have been made by the Sun-Maid Raisin Growers board of directors, with Frank R. Light, president, announcing that J. Robert Lankford has been appointed vice president, finance and administration, and Walter L. Lauritzen, vice president, operations.

## GRUNION RUNS START MARCH 6

SACRAMENTO — Grunion runs will start on southern California beaches the night of March 6, according to officials of the state fish and game department, with reappearances March 7, 8, 9, 20, 21, 22, and 23, then in June and July. The fish are protected during April and May.

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## State Board Checking County Property Values

SACRAMENTO — State appraisers are checking Tulare county property values to derive a key figure in the computation of state school equalization aid that amounts statewide to \$1.75 million a day.

John W. Lynch, member of the state board of equalization, said the survey just begun in this county is one of 19 such county surveys being conducted this year to bring up to date the findings based on surveys made three years ago.

Owners of properties appraised will be notified of the market value found by the survey and may inspect the appraisal records.

The program, Lynch explained, helps to measure the taxable resources of a school district and determine that local schools get their proper share of state school funds. Other things being equal, the state furnishes more aid to school districts with limited taxable resources than to wealthy districts.

An annual finding of each county's average assessment level, expressed as a percentage of market value for all taxable property in the county, is based on the Board's survey. This county average is compared to the statewide average. If the county's assessed values conform substantially, no adjustment is needed. If the assessed values are far out of line, they will be changed to make the county's average conform with the average for the state.

"Whether an adjustment is made or not, the county average and the statewide average based on the 58 county findings are used in a formula by which over \$650 million in state funds are allocated among the state's 1,132 school districts," Lynch said. The \$650 million dollars is about 43 percent of total state aid to school districts, which now runs to over a billion and a half dollars a year.

This is but one of nearly a dozen uses to which the assessment level percentages are put. Another use is to determine the extent to which state loans to school districts for building construction are to be repaid.

The countywide average may also be used by a property taxpayer to help him decide whether his assessment is fair when compared to assessments of all other property in the county.

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
SUPERIOR COURT OF THE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR  
THE COUNTY OF TULARE  
No. 22669

Estate of  
MIGUELA MONTOYA  
NORERO, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the Office of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, Attorneys at Law, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated February 15, 1973.

ANNIE PERRY

Executrix of the Will of the above named decedent

Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk

Attorneys at Law

141 East Mill Avenue

Porterville, California 93257

Telephone: (209) 784-5064

Attorneys for Executrix

First publication: February 25, 1973.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BY THE LOCAL AGENCY

FORMATION COMMISSION OF

THE COUNTY OF TULARE UPON

APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION

TO THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

on the 30th day of January, 1973, an

application was filed with the Executive

Officer of the Local Agency

Formation Commission of Tulare

County for annexation of certain

territory to the City of Porterville in

the County of Tulare, and that said

Executive Officer has fixed March

21, 1973, at 2:00 P.M. at Room

301, Courthouse, County Civic Center,

Visalia, California, as the date,

time and place of public hearing upon

said application.

LAFC CASE NO. 456-P-69.

The legal description of the

boundaries of the territory proposed

for annexation is attached hereto and

marked Exhibit "A".

EXHIBIT "A"

ANNEXATION 186

Beginning at the Southeast corner of

Lot 160 of Pioneer Land Company's

First Subdivision as recorded in Vol-

ume 3 of Maps, Page 34, Tulare

County Records, said corner also be-

ing on the Existing City Limits; Thence

Northerly, departing from said City

Limits, along the East line of said

Lot 160 to a point 360.14 feet South

of the Northeast corner of said Lot

160; Thence Westerly to a point on the

West line of said Lot 160, said point

being 362.23 feet South of the Northwest

corner of said Lot 160; Thence Westerly

along the West line of said Lot 160 to

the point of intersection of the previously

described line, to the point of inter-

section with the West right-of-way line

of Prospect Street (60 feet wide); Thence

Southerly along said West right-of-way

line to the point of intersection with the

Easterly prolongation of the North line

of the South half of Lot 161 of said Sub-

division, said point being on the Ex-

isting City Limits; Thence continuing

Easterly along said Easterly prolonga-

tion of the North line of the South half

of said Lot 161 to the East right-of-way

line of said Prospect Street; Thence

Southerly along said East right-of-way

line to the point of intersection of the

South line of said Lot 160; Thence

Easterly along said Easterly prolonga-

tion of the South line of said Lot 160

and the South line of said Lot 160 to

the point of beginning.

Dated: February 20, 1973.

JAY C. BAYLESS,

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Sylvia Hallows,

Executive Secretary

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE OF  
REAL ESTATE UNDER  
EXECUTION  
SHERIFF'S SALE  
No. 73-105

Tellus H. Story, Plaintiff  
vs.  
O.J. Garner and Virgie I. Derington,  
Defendants

Under and by virtue of an Execution issued out of the Superior Court of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, wherein Tellus H. Story, Plaintiff and O.J. Garner and Virgie I. Derington, Defendants upon a judgment rendered the 24th day of November A.D. 1971, for the sum of 7,324.33 Dollars lawful money of the United States, besides costs and interest, I did on the Thirty first day of January 1973, levy upon all the right, title, claim and interest of said Defendants, O.J. Garner and Virgie I. Derington of, in and to the following Real Estate situated in the County of Tulare, State of California, and described as follows, to-wit:

That portion of Lot "V" of Myers Land Company's Pine Flat, as per Map recorded in Book 17, Page 14 of Maps in the office of the County Recorder of Tulare County, and that portion of the Southeast quarter of Section 32, Township 23 South, Range 31 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Tulare, State of California, according to the official plat of the survey of said land on file in the Bureau of Land Management at the date of the issuance of the Patent thereof, described as a whole as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot 58 of said Subdivision; THENCE (1) Northerly and Easterly along the Northerly line thereof 48.25 feet to the true point of beginning, said point of beginning being the most Northerly point of said Lot 58; THENCE (2) South 87° 51' 30" East 300 feet; THENCE (3) North 40° 31' East 300 feet; THENCE (4) North 87° 51' 30" West to a point on the East line of the County Road as conveyed to the County of Tulare by deed dated March 24, 1952, recorded Feb. 13, 1953 in book 1651, page 461 of Official Records; THENCE (5) Southerly and Southwesterly along said East line of the County Road to a point of intersection with the Westerly extension of course No. 1 of this description; THENCE (6) South 87° 51' 30" East to the true point of beginning. Public Notice is hereby given, that I will on Wednesday the 14th day of March A.D. 1973, at 10 o'clock A.M. of said day, in front of the Tulare County Sheriff's Office in the City of Visalia, in said County of Tulare, sell at public auction, for Lawful Money of the United States, all the right, title, claim and interest of said Defendants, O.J. Garner and Virgie I. Derington of, in and to the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to raise sufficient money to satisfy said judgment, with interest and costs, to the highest and best bidder. Dated this 13th day of February 1973.

BOB WILEY, Sheriff of Tulare County, State of California  
By Sgt. Harold Lansford  
Deputy Sheriff

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LAFC CASE NO. 458-P-71

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EXHIBIT "A"

ANNEXATION 185

Beginning at the Southwest Corner of

Tract No. 257 as recorded in Volume

22 of Maps, Page 10, Tulare County

Records, said point being on the

Existing City Limits; Thence N

0°54'20"W along said City Limits,

96.00 feet, basis of bearings being the

center line of Putnam Avenue (60

feet wide) assumed East; Thence N

52°50'55"W, 481.51 feet and depart-

ing from said City Limits; Thence N

63°20'24"W, 153.60 feet; Thence N

54°06'05"W, 85.78 feet; Thence N

72°03'02"W, 106.32 feet; Thence S

0°32'30"W, 93.27 feet; Thence N

82°55'54"W, 178.69 feet; Thence N

73°43'45"W, 337.32 feet; Thence S

89°51'15"W, 72.00 feet; Thence N

0°28'45"E, 190.00 feet; Thence

Northwest along the arc of a curve

concave to the Southwest having a

radius of 411.28 feet said radius bear-

ing S 0°06'01"E to the center of

said curve, through a central angle of

0°2'44", a distance of 33 feet;

Thence S 89°51'15"W, 897.67 feet;

Thence N 0°28'45"E, 395.00 feet;

Thence N 89°51'15"E, 917.03 feet;

Thence N 0°28'45"E, 143.85 feet;

Thence West 332.96 feet; Thence N

0°30'06"E, 30.00 feet; Thence S

704.04 feet; Thence West, 40.00 feet;

Thence S 0°28'45"W, 1266.59 feet;

Thence N 89°51'15"E, 2329.96 feet

more or less to the point of begin-

ning.

Dated: February 20, 1973.

JAY C. BAYLESS,

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Executive Secretary

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## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS HISTORY SUBJECT OF HISTORY SEMINAR

PORTERVILLE — "The History of the Elementary Schools of the Porterville Area" will be the topic of next Monday night's Tulare County and Local History seminar of the Porterville Adult school, held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Porterville High School cafeteria. All former teachers and students of schools in this area are invited to attend.

As a part of the evening's program, a number of retired teachers will tell of their years of teaching. These will include Erma Wann Rambo, Genevieve Parker Wilson, Ruth Martin Olsen, Bea Tidball, Victor and Vaughn Bowker, Caroline

## BAYLOR BAXLEY ALL-AROUND RODEO WINNER

VISALIA — Baylor Baxley, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Baxley, of Porterville, took all-around honors at the February 18 Junior Cowboys Association rodeo sponsored by the Visalia Rockettes, winning junior team roping with his sister, Riana, and placing second in junior calf riding.

Riana also took fourth in goat tying and place fourth in junior team roping with another partner, Twila Dilday, of Porterville, who also placed second in goat tying and second in barrel racing.

Next Junior association rodeo is set for Delano, March 11.

## DUFFY REMINDS VETERANS OF TAX EXEMPTION PROCEDURE

SACRAMENTO — Assemblyman Gordon Duffy reminds veterans that it would be to their financial advantage this year to file for the homeowner's property tax exemption, rather than the veterans' exemption, on their principal place of residence.

Duffy explained that the homeowners' exemption has been raised to \$1,750 while the veterans' exemption remains at \$1,000.

"This means veterans who qualify for the homeowners' exemption would pay less property taxes by applying that exemption to their home," Duffy said.

Veterans must file a claim for the homeowner's exemption with the county tax assessor's office between March 1 and April 15.

In addition, Duffy added, persons who qualify for the veterans' exemption can still apply that exemption to any other taxable property they own, such as a boat, vacation or second home, a lot or income producing properties.

Carrots are moving at a steady level from the Imperial and Coachella valleys.

Chamberlain Lowe, Emma Prestage Stanyan, and Esther Prestage Homer.

Herb Bonds, assistant superintendent of school, for the Porterville Elementary School district, will also tell of the present and past of the local school system.

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## SUCCESS VALLEY 4-H MEMBERS HEAR REPORTS

SUCCESS VALLEY — The Success Valley 4-H club held its February meeting at the Citrus South Tule school community building, with Rhett Mason presiding.

Alan Gill reported on the Educational tour, and Emiley Gigala reported on the Heart Fund drive, with the club divided into three equal teams for the drive; adult team leaders providing transportation. Adult leaders are: Mrs. Betty Day, Mrs. Dona Ballard, and Mrs. Arlean King. The team that collects the largest sum will enjoy a hamburger fry.

It was announced that Doctor Cyril Watson, a local veterinarian, will be the speaker at the March meeting.

After club business was completed members worked on record books, and charts.

The meeting was adjourned, and refreshments were served. The committee included: Staci, Mary, and David Ballard, Myron, and Rocky Day.

The state department of fish and game plans to stock southern California lakes and streams with 1.97 million catcatchable-size Rainbow trout.

## The Farm Tribune BILLBOARD

### MARCH

- 1 - Annual Meet, Visalia PCA
- 4 - Canterbelles Horse Show
- 7-14 - California Conservation Week
- 24 - Vandalia 4-H Beef Field Day
- 27 - Blood Bank At Elks Lodge
- 31 - Manner Quartett Harmonie From Germany

### APRIL

- 1 - Opening Lake Success Bass Derby
- 1 - Elks Lodge Turkey Shoot
- 7 - Jackass Mail Run
- 7 - Regional 4-H Field Day
- 7-14 - Lindsay Orange Blossom Festival
- 8 - Springville 4-H Field Day
- 8 - College Community Chorus Concert
- 14-15 - Springville-Sierra Rodeo

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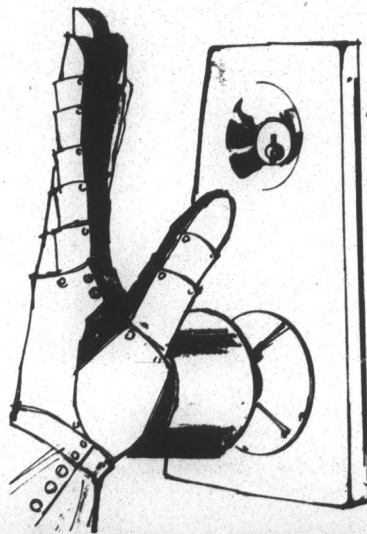
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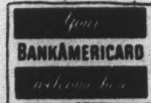
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## Omnibus Bill

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million. Start in 1975 with completion in 1980. Counties served: Amador, El Dorado, Sacramento, and San Joaquin.

Peripheral canal - Would provide for stable delta water flows, guarantee fresh water releases into many points in the delta area, help state and federal governments fulfill water obligations, greatly improve water quality and enhance the environment and recreational resources. Cost \$121 million. Start in 1976 with completion in 1982. Counties served: Sacramento and San Joaquin.

Allen Camp - Provides a dam and reservoir to irrigate land in Lassen and Modoc counties changing forage type agriculture to cultivation. Cost \$48.4 million. Start in 1978 with completion in 1984.

## Horse Show

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for California State Horse Drugging regulations.

Entry fees can be mailed to Mrs. Emmy Kibler, director of the Canterbelle Drill team, 1619 No. Beverly, 93257, phone 784-5264. Co-chairmen of the show are Jack Gregg and Bob Wells.

Food and drink concessions will be operated on the grounds during the show.

### BARN THEATER GUILD DINNER SET

A spaghetti dinner, followed by bingo, is being sponsored by members of the Barn Theater Guild tomorrow, Friday, 7 p.m., at the St. John's Episcopal church in Porterville. Donation for the fund-raising event - \$1.25 per person.

## Rodeo Parade

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15 in the Springville rodeo arena.

Parade Chairman Fred McGregor states that parade divisions have been set up for bands, baton groups, baton solo, floats, horse-drawn vehicles, large mounted groups - five or more riders, small mounted groups - three or four riders, mounted pairs, Western riders, costume riders, horseless carriages, decorated bicycles, commercial entries and general category. No awards are offered in the commercial division.

Full information and parade entries forms can be obtained from McGregor, 33600 Globe Drive, Porterville 93257, telephone (209) 539-2218.

Included also in the Springville-Sierra rodeo events program is a Queen Coronation dance in the Springville Veterans' building the evening of April 7 and an outdoor Western dance the night of April 14.

## Open House

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through use of chemicals and also through development and release of parasites that will eventually kill out the mealybug.

Turkey producers are continuing to increase the number of eggs being set from week to week.

## Jackass Mail

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sale forthwith at fourbits each.

As an added attraction, the artist who created and designed the stamp, one Ron Peyron, will be introduced to the acclaim of the multitude.

Rumor has it that some effort will be made to determine in what direction the 12th annual Jackass Mail will run come April 7, and who might be given the much-sought-after-and-highly-dignified position of wagonmaster, but there is more than some reason to believe there is little likelihood of any decision being reached.

But a festive air will mark the occasion, what with one and all invited to bring a dish or bowl of this or that for a bit of repast during the evening, and the talented interpreters of Johann Christoph Bach and Ludwig van Beethoven may well appear in concert unless avoidably detained enroute.

The gathering will start to gather about then or perhaps a bit earlier.

## Park Visitors Second Highest On Record

ASH MOUNTAIN - Visitor travel to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National parks last year was the second largest on record, totaling 1,927,640 visits. The use of campgrounds and back country trails also continued to increase.

In 1972, Sequoia had 869,600 visits and Kings Canyon received 1,058,040 visits - a decrease for Sequoia and an increase for Kings Canyon, compared to 1971. Total travel to the two parks was largest in 1968 with 1,938,300 visits.

There were 279,580 camper days last year, a 6% increase over 1971. The number of tent campers outnumbered those using recreation vehicles,

reversing the upward surge of recreation vehicle users. The 67,020 overnight stays at concessioner operated units decreased from 88,650 in 1971.

Use of the back country trails increased slightly in 1972, based on tentative data obtained from counts of park rangers.

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE SET FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

SAN FRANCISCO - A Youth Environmental conference will be held in the Eldorado National forest, east of Sacramento, in June under sponsorship of the California Department of The American Legion and the U.S. Forest service, with each of the 30 American Legion districts in California invited to send two high school seniors to the four-day conference.

The conference group will be headquartered at the Sly Park Education center in the Eldorado National forest; instruction areas will include logging, forest nursery, outdoor recreation, fire prevention and control, and environmental planning and public impact problems at Lake Tahoe.

## OIL COMPANY PAYS PENALTY

SACRAMENTO - Exxon corporation - Humble Oil company - has paid the state department of fish and game \$6,000 for penalties involving a 250-barrel oil spill in Los Angeles harbor last November. In addition, the company will pay the cost of cleaning up the spilled oil - \$29,000.

California hunters took 626 bear during the 1972 season - an increase over the previous year. Fifty were taken in Tulare county.

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